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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Group Art Unit: 3724
Morikatsu MATSUDA et al.) Examiner: C. Goodman
Application No.: 09/661,459) Atty. Dkt. No. 000004.00661
Filed: September 13, 2001)
For: PUNCHING MACHINE) Date: August 26, 2003
AND METHOD THEREOF)

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003. A petition for a three-month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: